

### **Innovative Confinement Concepts**

#### Briefing for

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## ICC OFES Status

- o Bill Dove retired
- o ICC team formed
  - C. Bolton (Team Leader)
  - S. Eckstrand
  - C. Finfgeld
- o Start Annual Review Process

### Annual Review

- o Goal is to review 1/3 of the program every year
- o Lab and Grant notices (02-9) to be published shortly
- o Proposals by May 15
- o ~\$8M of funding available

# Adjusting ICC Goals

- o Previous ICC goal focused on improved confinement concept
- o Goals broadened
  - Improved concepts
  - Improved understanding
  - Source of innovative ideas for POP, PE, and BP

# FY 03 Funding

- o Overall funding decreases modestly
- o CE program increases by 700k
- o Increase in RFP effort to reflect POP status
- o Stellarator effort increased, but moved to other budget category (ICC contribution goes down)

## General Observations

- Broad portfolio of experiments and ideas very healthy for fusion program
- o RFP made outstanding progress but what does this say about management of program
- o Shear flow started in ICC program
- o Concerns about utilization